

WHEN WAS THE 'OLD INN' BUILT?

Indications Are That Building is 94 Years Old and Was Built With Brick Made By Hand. Changed Hands Often.

"One generation builds, the next tears down." In this day of progress and new things land-marks ruthlessly disappear and a chapter in history closes and another begins, built upon the ruins thereof. Tazewell is not an "old town," now being torn away to make room for another and more modern building. The eastern part of the Jeffersonville hotel was built in the early days of Jeffersonville. The old "Julia Moore" building on Main Street is one of Tazewell's landmarks. This building was erected by Mr. Cox, the father of the late Captain Cox, of Graton. There are a number of old, brick buildings in the community which have a history. The George Peery residence west of town is one of them.

The Old Brick Church.

One of the earliest brick structures erected here was the Methodist church which stood just south of town and near the residence of Judge S. C. Graham. This building was never completed entirely. The church was later removed to what is now lower West Main Street. In the church yard of the first Methodist church near Judge Graham's sleep the remains of a number of Tazewell's pioneer citizens.

Who Built the Old Inn?

The writer of this sketch has gathered some facts and data here and there, and records here what he finds. The "Old Inn" was built by Captain Robert Crockett, brother of the attorney, and a close relative of E. K. Crockett, Charles Crockett and other present day people of this community. The property has changed hands frequently. L. R. Dodd purchased the property from Mr. Crockett in September, 1870 for \$1650. Dodd sold to Wm. L. Watkins. Watkins sold to A. J. May Jr., in April, 1890. May sold to Dr. Hufford. After Dr. Hufford's death, Jeff Hoge and J. W. Moss bought the property, and Coffee ran another hotel here, and Moss sold to J. W. and R. C. Chapman. Chapman sold to George R. Surface and Surface sold to the Methodist church people, who recently sold to the present owners, Witten & Steele.

Built 93 Years Ago (7)

There is this data as to when the house was built: John F. Suthers, of this town, says that he heard his father, who was a carpenter, say frequently that his first work as a carpenter was done on this building. Suthers came to Tazewell when he was 18 years old. He died here. Reckoning back, he worked on this building in the year 1822, which would make the building now about 94 years old. This is the nearest we can come to it. It is evidently about correct. Who worked on the building besides Suthers, or who was the contractor, cannot be known. Reuben Feige, Hufford and perhaps others, were great brick layers, but this building was erected before their day.

Mr. Elgin Whitley now about 83 years of age, whom the writer interviewed on Tuesday, could give no help along this line. Whoever these men were they did their work well, as the present condition of the walls now.

Other Data.

Mr. M. F. Wynn, who has the contract to remove the building, found a brick in the west wall which had the number 1820 cut into it. If this date was cut in the brick when it was laid the building is 96 years old. So, there you are. The date may have been put in when the brick was made in the yard.

THE Old Whip Saw.

Mr. Wynn says that the sills, joist, etc., were sawed by old whipsaw and the laths were ripped out by hand. In those days there were no saw mills or brick machines. Mortar for brick was made by horses tramping and watering it up. Mr. Elgin Whitley says that as a boy he rode a horse many a day around in a brick mortar bed, and all the bricks were made by hand, one at a time.

The nails used in the original construction of the building were of wrought iron, made in the blacksmith shop.

And so it goes. It is a long cry from those days and methods to the present.

In Memoriam.

In loving remembrance of Mrs. Elizabeth McGuire, wife of the late Jas. Mathias McGuire, and daughter of the late W. D. Hurt, and Elizabeth McGuire Hurt Cecil, born August 27, 1853 and departed this life January 30, 1916, at 8 a. m. in a Richmond hospital where she had undergone an operation for gall stones about four weeks previous, age 62 years, five months and three days.

Besides a host of relatives and of friends, she is survived by four sons, Dr. J. A. McGuire, and James W. McGuire, of Princeton, W. Va.; Marvin H. McGuire, of Pilot Mountain, Tenn.; and Dr. John McGuire, of Richmond; three daughters, Mrs. Maude L. Fugate, Pilot Mountain, Tenn.; Mrs. Carrie Peery, of North Tazewell and Miss Sadie McGuire, of Cedar Bluff; three sons, Mrs. Theresa Repass, of Cedar Bluff; Mrs. Louisa McFarland, of Blackford, Va.; Mrs. Columbia Cecil, of Ezel, Ky.; one brother, Mrs. Chas. G. Hurt, of Cedar Bluff and one half brother, Mr. William M. Cecil, of Hot Springs, Ark., all of whom were present at the funeral except Mr. and Mrs. Cecil, of Arkansas and Kentucky, respectively.

VIRGINIANS GLAD GARRISON IS OUT

General Gratification Expressed Over Result of Resignation of Secretary of War—Makes Wilson's Chances Better.

Washington, Feb. 14.—The greatest effect that the resignation of Secretary of War Garrison has had upon the President's preparedness program has been to soften the opposition to it in the house of representatives and to create a sentiment in favor of affecting a compromise and quickly putting through a bill that will satisfy the President.

It has also created a feeling among the men who have heretofore strongly opposed the bill and stood stoutly by Majority Leader Claude Kitchen in that it is now time for the Democrats to get together, and for Mr. Kitchen to either lead the Democratic party in the house or turn to some one else the leadership upon this measure.

Virginia Pleased Over Wilson's Consent for Use of Name on Ballot.

The Virginia delegation expressed general gratification today upon the receipt of the news that President Wilson had consented to allow his name to be used in Ohio as a presidential candidate.

It was a foregone conclusion, they seemed to think, that the president would again agree to become a candidate. Sentiment all over the country is re-election, is strongly in favor of his re-election, and he will be renominated by acclamation, regardless of whether he puts himself forward.

"I am pleased to see the president has granted permission for the use of his name as a candidate for re-election," said Senator Swanson. "I would have been greatly disappointed if he had done otherwise."

"The Democrats of the country and the people of the country generally believe that the president should be a candidate to succeed himself and there was no way in which he could escape the popular demand. He will be renominated without opposition, and will undoubtedly be re-elected."

Senator Martin and the other Virginians made expressions similar to those of Senator Swanson and Representative Flood. In fact, almost every Democratic congressman thought it was the proper thing for the president to do. There were a few exceptions, however, and two of these were Speaker Champ Clark and Congressman Fitzgerald, chairman of the appropriations committee.

Speaker Clark said: "I don't know anything about it, and I don't care anything about it, either."

Chairman Fitzgerald, who has been at loggerheads with the president for two years over appointments in Brooklyn, said: "You had better get some politicians to discuss it; I'm not in politics."

W. W. DAILEY PASSES AWAY.

Former Citizen of this County Is Dead in Oklahoma Town.

(From the Ponca City (Oklahoma) Democrat.)

Wilkinson Witten Dailey passed away on the 4th of February at his home on South Street at ten o'clock of dropsy.

He was born August 4th, 1834, in Tazewell county, Virginia. He was married to Miss Nannie P. Deskins, the third daughter of the late Geo. W. Deskins, in the year 1859. In 1884 they moved to Missouri, where they remained until about five years ago, when they moved to Ponca City.

He was a patient sufferer and was never heard to complain or worry about his condition. He united with the church when 18 years of age and had lived a consistent Christian up to the time of his death. He talked to each member of the family, who were present before his death, and implored them to meet him in heaven.

His funeral was conducted at the home by the Rev. J. I. Hill, on Feb. 7, at 2:30 p. m. He leaves a wife and seven children—Mrs. A. A. Ball, Cole and Augustus Dailey, of Ponca City; Mrs. J. R. Oglesby and Basil Dailey, of Chicago; Mrs. Harry Hanks, of Great Falls, Mont., and Mrs. W. R. Jennings, of Abingdon, Ill. The two latter being unable to attend the funeral. The funeral was largely attended by a host of sympathizing friends and his body was laid to rest in the I. O. O. F. cemetery to await the resurrection morn.

PARCELS POST SALE.

The Baptist church ladies have arrangements under way for a parcels post sale, to be held in the City Hall on Friday, February 25. The proceeds from the sale will be used for necessary repairs to the Baptist parsonage, parcels post articles, including various and sundry household necessities, cake, candy, etc., will be offered for sale.

AN APPRECIATION.

Some one has said, "I would rather have one little rose-bud handed me by a friend while I'm living, than to have all the flowers of all the gardens in the world heaped upon my grave when I'm dead."

During the revival at North Tazewell, I referred to the above quotation, and I take the opportunity of expressing to all the people my sincere thanks for their kindness to me and my family. I cannot forget the editor for the nice things he said about the meeting, and also my good brother Platt for the way he cared for me. God's richest blessings on you all. W. C. THOMPSON.

INDIAN RUNNER DUCKS.

If you want a trio of pure-bred Indian runner ducks, you can learn where they may be obtained cheap by inquiry at this office.

BURKE'S GARDEN NEWS.

Creed Pauley Dies Suddenly—Local and Personal News.

Burke's Garden, Feb. 15.—Mr. W. J. Hoge went to Tazewell Sunday. Miss Ruby Suiter and Dr. and Mrs. Higginbotham were called to Graham Friday by the sudden death of their relative, Mr. Ed. Neel.

Rev. James Repass, of Bristol, has been visiting relatives and friends here for several days.

Mr. Creed Pauley died very suddenly at his home here on last Friday night. He leaves a wife, two sons and three daughters to mourn the loss. Funeral services were conducted at the house and at the church by Rev. Mr. James Repass.

Messrs. E. J. Wynn and N. W. Stowers went to Clear Fork Saturday to attend the burial of Mr. A. B. Shawver, and also the burial of Mr. Ed. Neel on Sunday.

Messrs. A. S. Boling and R. M. Goodman also attended the burial of Mr. Neel.

Mrs. Jane Meek was ill at her home here the first of the week.

After having warm weather for several days, the mercury dropped to 5 degrees below zero last night.

J. P. Gose, A. E. Peery and N. W. Stowers have each been having some maple syrup and sugar made.

BUSTLE AND STIR.

It is a very common phrase among the unconverted and even some professing Christians that "The church doesn't save anybody." Then, in the name of truth, what is the church for?

It cost so much to establish the church, and it has cost so much to maintain it, and it will cost much to continue it, and the cost is not simply money. It costs thought, time and service, cares, prayers, and tears, love and blood and life. And this enormous price is paid by God, angels and men. Then, if it be true that "The church doesn't save anybody," why all this sacrifice. Where the condemnation if men stay out? Does the church sanction this untruth, this slogan of hell? Certainly not. How can any man who knows what the church of Jesus Christ is, or what its mission is, subscribe to such a statement?

The church must win the world, not by false statements of her weakness and insufficiency, but by true statements of her power and sufficiency.

W. E.

RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas, It has pleased our Heavenly Father to remove from our society one of our most faithful members and co-workers for the extension of the Master's kingdom, Mrs. Margaret McGuire; therefore be it resolved,

1st, That we bow in humble submission to the will of Him who doeth all things well.

2nd, That the Missionary Society feels the loss of so faithful and devoted a member and efficient officer and desires to express its sincere sympathy for the bereaved children and relatives.

3rd, That a page in our minute book be inscribed to her memory, and that a copy of the resolutions be published in the county papers.

Mrs. M. L. Peery, Mrs. Mary Wingo, Mrs. F. M. Buhrman, Committee.

TO PROHIBITIONISTS OF TAZE- WELL.

Mr. Editor:

For years the Anti-Saloon League of Virginia has been fighting for an absolutely dry state. At no time has the League ever said that anything short of that would be satisfactory. In accepting the Mapp bill the League by no means takes it as final, but only for the much good that it has in it, and as all that can be obtained at this time, with the public declaration and avowed purpose that the fight is still on for a complete victory—an absolutely dry Virginia.

I have heard a number of people express regrets that the Mapp bill was not sweeping enough, and object especially to the drug store feature of the bill. This bill as it now is before the Senate has been greatly improved, and the safe-guards thrown around the sale of liquor by druggists are very drastic. In addition to these we will have a commissioner of prohibition, his assistants and the outer law; in view of these conditions I can hardly conceive how a druggist dare violate the law, knowing that detection in one offense would suspend him from business and the second or third violation takes his license and drives him out of the business in Virginia. A druggist can only sell one-half pint and that on prescription. I have a reputable physician after he has made a physical examination of the patient, and further the doctor must make oath that the liquor is necessary for the patient's affliction.

Why permit liquor to be sold for any purpose? First, because the enabling act promised that liquor could be sold for medicinal purposes and in the second place enough Senators demand that this clause be incorporated in the bill, or they will defeat it without it.

The Mapp bill is a very long one; few people have seen it, and fewer have read it. I have read and studied it carefully, and while it is not all we hoped it would be, it is so near what we want, that I beg and entreat prohibition people to stand for it and by it with enthusiasm. Our leaders are composed of the best and most intelligent people of the State, let us trust them. "Don't rock the boat." The fight goes on, keep the banner unfurled, Virginia will be dry. Many of the wet people of the State have suddenly become dry, a sate dry-est among us. This has created suspicion in my mind, and I advise all dry people to wipe their "specks" and look out.

C. R. BROWN.

TAZEWELL CIRCUIT.

I will be at my regular appointments in Burke's Garden Sunday.

On Tuesday evening, the 22nd, I will be at Liberty to begin a revival.

W. C. THOMPSON.

DROUGHT COMING TO POCAHONTAS

Unexpected Legislation May Drive Saloons Out Six Months Earlier Than Time Set For in Enabling Act.

Pocahontas has been in a furor of excitement all this week over the introduction in the legislature of an amendment to the Thurman prohibition law, that if passed by both houses of the legislature, will make Pocahontas dry May 1. The bill has passed the house, and has been favorably reported in the Senate, and it seems likely now will pass that body.

The business men of Pocahontas were not apprised of the introduction of the bill until last Sunday, since which they have been active in sending messages to the solons in Richmond. A petition was gotten up here protesting against the passage of the bill, and was signed by a number of the business men and others. Many dry advocates here, however, favor the passage of the act, and not compromising in any way with the whiskey interests.

The bill was introduced in the legislature last week by representative E. H. Witten, of Tazewell and Buchanan counties, who stated to a newspaper representative, "I want to remove that dark pall which is hanging over our section like sulphurous smoke from hell."

Newspaper dispatches state that a number of the Pocahontas saloonkeepers broke down and cried when they first heard of the bill being introduced.

POUNDING MILL NEWS.

Pounding Mill, Feb. 16.—Mrs. R. K. Gillespie went to Tazewell today to visit her mother, Mrs. Mary O'Keeffe, who has been ill.

Misses Helen and Nell Gillespie, of Witten Mills, spent Monday night visiting their brother, Mr. Wm. G. Gillespie and family. They had spent the week end with their brother, Sam and family at Raven.

Mrs. J. T. Altizer and children and Miss Fattie Whitaker spent Saturday and Sunday visiting their relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Altizer and family at Richlands.

Mrs. T. A. Repass, of Cedar Bluff, spent today with her cousin, Mrs. W. B. Steele.

Rev. R. E. Groer preached to a good audience Sunday night in spite of the inclemency of the weather, and was the guest of Mrs. C. H. Trayer to supper, and Mrs. R. K. Gillespie at night.

A. R. Gillespie is down from Witten Mills, helping take stock in the W. B. Steele and Company store, Mr. John Witt, of Erwin, Tenn., is here to run the store. His wife and baby are spending the week with her mother, Mrs. Jennie Repass, at Paint Lick.

W. W. Boxley was down one day last week from Roanoke looking after the rock quarry here, and was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Hunter.

Mr. Benjamin Riley, who has been very ill for some time, at the home of his son, Alex Riley, is able to sit up again.

Mr. Mose Burnett has moved his family to Hartwell, Va.

Mrs. Joseph Smith, of this place, Mrs. Page, of Richlands, and son, and Mr. Johnson, of Nebraska, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Shepherd today. Mr. Shepherd talks of moving to Nebraska.

Rev. W. S. Ballard, of Tazewell, will preach at the Christian church next Sunday at 11 o'clock.

O. O. Berry, of Jonesville, was here the latter part of the week to take charge of the Cedar Bluff Roller Mills at Cedar Bluff. The mills will be operated by R. K. Gillespie, W. B. Steele and John O'Keeffe and will be known as the Bluff Milling Company. The mill has a capacity of 35 barrels per day.

We have had a very cold spell here for several days. The ground has been covered with snow, which is now melting.

Mrs. R. K. Gillespie and two little sons spent Saturday and Sunday with her friend, Mrs. Sam Ward in Thompson Valley.

F. Myers is again laid up with rheumatism.

Mrs. Cora Shamberlin visited her sister, Mrs. Richard Lowe at Cedar Bluff one day last week. Mrs. Lowe is very ill with cancer of the breast.

Mr. Jacob Ball, of Kent's Ridge, is visiting his sister-in-law, Mrs. G. R. Thomas.

Mr. and Mrs. Beverly Davison, newly-weds, are living in our town. Mr. Davidson is farming.

Mrs. George Brewster is suffering from the head just over her eye.

Roy Lee and family and Arthur Hunnell have moved to Seaboard to live.

Mrs. H. W. Christian is recovering from an attack of grip.

HAVE YOU A DOG?

A bulletin just issued by the State Health Department states the alarming fact that there are now 26 persons in the State taking treatment to prevent rabies—persons who have been bitten by mad dogs, and urges that more than ordinary precautions be taken by town councils to compel the owner of dogs to either muzzle them or compel owners to keep them confined.

In a certain town in Virginia, four persons were bitten by a mad dog before he was killed. The county is full of dogs that should be shot on sight, but not only the worthless and sorry go mad. Your pet dog or cat may have rabies, and with little or no warning. The authorities are urged to take some steps. Twenty-six people in the sanitariums being treated for hydrophobia, should be sufficient warning.

OFFER FOR SEED CORN WILL BE WITHDRAWN.

The offer for Casey seed corn will be withdrawn at once. A few bushels left. Apply quick. J. A. Leslie.

COVE CREEK.

Cove Creek, Feb. 14.—Many from this place attended the burial of Mr. Addie Neal last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Buchanan, of Pearisburg, are visiting relatives and friends in the community.

Mrs. Jennie Compton, of Wolf Creek, is visiting relatives in this community.

Miss Lulu and Rose Simpson were the guests of Miss Rose Higginbotham last Saturday and Monday.

Miss Mary Gregory and Mrs. Jennie Compton were the guests of Mrs. K. C. Fox last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Crockett Stowers, of Brushfork, spent last Saturday and Sunday in the community.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Boling, of Wolf Creek, spent last Saturday at Mr. Harve Stowers.

Mr. S. E. Simpson spent last Sunday with S. K. Ashworth.

Mr. Steve Fox spent last Sunday at the home of Mr. Andy Fox.

W. C. T. U. MEETING.

Last Tuesday afternoon a large number of the ladies met with Mrs. W. G. O'Brien in monthly session of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Besides a very interesting program, many important business matters were discussed and plans were made looking to the State convention that comes to Tazewell next September. It was decided to serve a public dinner next Tuesday, the second day of court, to start the convention fund. The ladies will appreciate your patronage, and promise to give you a good, substantial meal for thirty-five cents.

Several visitors were present, and after business was over refreshments were served, and a pleasant social half hour followed. It was a fine meeting.

DINNER THE 22ND IN HANKINS' HALL.

Dinner will be served by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union Tuesday, February 22, in Hankins' Hall. That dinner, roast beef, potatoes, escalloped eggs, cold slaw, corn bread, sweetened bread, butter, coffee and pie. Price 35c. This money will be used in helping entertain the state W. C. T. U., which meets in Tazewell September 19th. Come out and help a good cause.

DO YOU WANT A NICE TAZE- WELL FARM?

If you want a nice farm and home, about 125 acres, of good land and a good, nice residence, inquire at the News office, and find out where it is, etc.

W. E. NEAL DIES SUDDENLY.

A. B. Shawver, Another Clear Fork Citizen, Dead.

The community was greatly shocked last week to hear of the death of W. E. Neal, a well known citizen of this county, living at Graham, to which place he moved recently from Cove Creek.

Mr. Neal was in his wagon, with several others, on his way from Graham to Cove Creek on business, when the end came. An hour before he was in his usually good health and apparently in the best of spirits. He was suddenly stricken and in a few minutes was dead. His funeral was attended by a very large concourse of people. He was about 45 years of age and leaves a widow and family.

Another Clear Fork citizen, A. B. Shawver, 75 years old, died a few days ago. Some months ago he was accidentally shot by his son, the load entering his knee. This wound and the ravages of old age hastened his death. Mr. Shawver was a man of sterling integrity and leaves behind him a good name.

A QUIET MARRIAGE.

A pleasant surprise to their host of friends was the marriage of Mr. Lewis J. Greever to Miss Nannie M. Heldreth. The ceremony was performed by Rev. R. B. Platt, Jr., in the Methodist parsonage Wednesday evening at six o'clock. Mrs. J. T. Heldreth, the bride's mother, being the only attendant. The couple left on the evening train for a short trip to Richmond and Washington.

Mr. Greever is a successful young contractor at Princeton, W. Va., and Miss Heldreth is the daughter of the general contractor of Tazewell. As typist and sales lady for Jeff Ward's store she numbered all the people of Tazewell among her friends, being a young lady of affable manner and very attractive personality. Her absence from the town will be sincerely regretted.

The future home of Mr. and Mrs. Greever will be Princeton, W. Va., where the happy thoughts and best wishes of their friends will attend them.

FUNERAL OF W. E. NEEL.

The funeral and burial of W. E. Neel, who died suddenly last Friday morning, on Cove Creek, was held last Sunday near his home. Interment was made near the old home. The funeral services were held in the Mount Calvary church at Cove Creek. The church was crowded. Rev. M. F. Carico, of Graham, assisted the Cove Creek pastor in conducting the services.

H. C. FOBST TRUSTEE.

H. Claude Fobst has been appointed trustee in a deed of assignment of the late firm of W. T. Witten & Co., which closed its doors here last week. The firm composed of W. T. Witten and John C. Hopkins have turned over the stock of goods to their creditors, and in addition Mr. Witten has sold his farm west of town of 30 acres for \$133.00 per acre, to C. R. Brown, the proceeds from the sale being turned over to creditors. The Witten home place on Main street will be offered for sale by the trustee. The indebtedness of the concern is placed at about \$10,000. It is believed that the assets will total three-fourths of that sum. Mr. Witten has accepted a position as traveling salesman for the Tazewell Packing Company, and Mr. Hopkins has been placed in charge of the Variety store, which was purchased by Jas. Ed. Peery, as stated elsewhere in this paper.

SETTLEMENT NOT YET IN SIGHT

Negotiations Can't be Closed Until Possible Effects of Latest Declaration Are Given Serious Consideration.

Washington, Feb. 16.—The submarine controversy with Germany can not be closed until the United States has fully considered the possible effect of the recent intention of the German powers to sink all armed merchant ships of their enemies without warning after February 20.

This announcement was made by Secretary Lansing today, instead of the long-expected announcement of a satisfactory settlement of the Lusitania negotiations.

Retrieved by months of patient and at times tedious negotiations, the Lusitania agreement was presented today by Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, in a form which would have been acceptable to the United States had not the Germans announced their determination to regard armed merchant ships of their enemies as warships.

The Lusitania agreement now will not be accepted as unsatisfactory to the United States until President Wilson and Secretary Lansing decide whether any of its terms would be inimical by the principles of the new submarine campaign.

It is practically certain that the United States will ask to be specifically informed that the assurances previously given for the safety of neutrals and non-combatants at sea have not and will not be altered by the latest declaration of the Berlin and Vienna governments.

American opinion fears that the United States and Germany may find themselves at the same point they stood in the first days of the submarine crisis, with the United States contending unreservedly for the principles of law and humanity in naval warfare and confronted with a long series of diplomatic exchanges the result of which they cannot foresee.

Count von Bernstorff told Secretary Lansing today it was his personal opinion that the new submarine campaign his government intended to abide by its promise not to sink unresisting "liners" without warning, given in the Arabic case and referred to in the Lusitania agreement. Mr. Lansing informed the ambassador that such declaration from this government would be highly desirable. The ambassador suggested the possibility of postponing the effective date of the new submarine campaign if it would give time for negotiations to clarify the confused situation, but the secretary did not commit himself.

This is the situation now:

As a result of the correspondence in the Lusitania and Arabic cases the United States had rested secure in the belief that the further conduct of submarine warfare on humane lines and in accordance with the established principles of international law, modified somewhat by the new conditions developed during the war, had been assured. The State department and been proceeding lately upon the theory that all that was necessary to be done in the Lusitania case was to cover up the past; not the future.

NOT DRY AT "ANY PRICE." (Editorial.)

The Witten bill should not pass, and we don't believe it will. We should "stand by the platform," and tote fair. November 1st was set as the time for the saloons all to close when the enabling act was voted upon. We should keep the faith, and act square and fair.

A dry Pocahontas? Yes; and a dry everywhere else by all means, but not at "any price."

METHODIST CHURCH SUNDAY.

Main Street Church.

Sunday School, 10 a. m., Rev. Chas. R. Brown, Supt.

Preaching at 11 a. m. by the pastor, Rev. R. B. Platt, Jr., subject of the sermon: "Thoughts of Peace." A solo entitled, "Give Us Peace," will be sung by Mrs. A. S. Higginbotham. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7 p. m.

North Tazewell Church.

Sunday School, 10 a. m. Mr. E. P. Moore, Sup't. Classes for all ages are taught by competent teachers.

Preaching by the pastor, at 7 p. m., subject: "When the Christian Sins." Prayer meeting Friday, 7 p. m. A cordial welcome to all.

WEBSTER SLAPPED; SLAPPER IS ASSESSED \$10 AND COSTS.

The colored Old Fellows hall, midway between this city and North Tazewell was the scene of a fracas last Saturday night between one William Moatman and William Webster, both colored. Moatman was charged with slapping Webster and otherwise beating him up. Mayor Hawthorne assessed: fine of ten and costs, amounting to some thirteen bones. Moatman's doing manual labor on the streets, hustled about and got up the money and paid the fine. According to Sergeant Thompson, Moatman is a man who has no particular calling, in fact, work is not what he is looking for. The sergeant advises that there are a number of others, both whites and blacks, who spend most of their time loafing around, and that hereafter the vagrancy law will be put in force, and that sports put to work on the streets if they won't work anywhere else. Work is plentiful everywhere, and there is no excuse whatever for able bodied men loafing around all the time living off of those who do work.

CIVIC BETTERMENT LEAGUE.

The Civic Betterment League meets in the ladies room on the fourth Tuesday of each month. All persons who are interested in this work are urged to be present at 3:30 o'clock.

SECRETARY.